

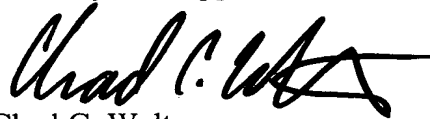
representation is made that a search has been made, that the references are material to the patentability of the present application, or that the references qualify as prior art.

REMARKS

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) before the issuance of a first Office Action and, therefore, no fee is believed to be due. If, however, a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants have now made an earnest attempt to place the Application in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons and for other reasons clearly apparent, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and full allowance of all pending claims.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference or an interview would advance prosecution of the Application, the undersigned attorney for Applicants stands ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

Applicants believe that no fee is due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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